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OPERATIONS UTILIZING A COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEM MODEL

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This responds to the Office Action mailed on July 1, 2004. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8.